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VIA ECF

Chambers of Hon. Nelson S. Román U.S District Court for the Southern District of New York United States Courthouse 300 Quarropas Street White Plains, NY 10601

Re: Lurenz v. The Coca-Cola Company et al., No. 7:22-cv-10941-NSR – Joint Request to

Modify Schedule

Dear Hon. Nelson S. Román:

We are counsel for Defendants The Coca-Cola Company and The Simply Orange Juice Company ("Defendants") in the above-referenced action. I write on behalf of the Parties in this action pursuant to Local Civil Rule 7.1(d) and Paragraphs 1.A and E of Your Honor's Individual Practices in Civil Cases to jointly request that the Court modify the current briefing schedule on Defendants' forthcoming motion to dismiss. Specifically, the Parties jointly request that the Court:

- Grant Plaintiff leave to file an Amended Complaint by July 14, 2023;
- Grant Defendants leave to file a motion to dismiss and set the following briefing schedule: (a) Defendants' moving papers are to be served by August 14, 2023; (b) Plaintiff's opposition papers are to be served by September 14, 2023; and (c) Defendants' reply papers are to be served by September 29, 2023.

On May 22, 2023, Defendants submitted a letter motion requesting a pre-motion conference concerning Defendants' anticipated motion to dismiss. (Dkt. 18). After Plaintiff submitted a response letter (Dkt. 20), the Court entered an order waiving the pre-motion conference, granting Defendants leave to file a motion to dismiss, and setting a briefing schedule for the Parties' submissions. (Dkt. 21). The current deadline for serving Defendants' moving papers is June 30, 2023. *See id.*

Counsel for Plaintiff have informed counsel for Defendants that Plaintiff intends to file an Amended Complaint. To allow Plaintiff adequate time to amend the operative Complaint and in light of the upcoming Fourth of July holiday, Plaintiff requests that he be granted leave to file his

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amended pleading by July 14, 2023. Additionally, Defendants request that they be granted to and including August 14, 2023 (31 days from the Amended Complaint deadline) to serve their moving papers in support of the Motion to Dismiss so that Defendants have sufficient time to review and respond to Plaintiff's amended pleading. The remainder of the proposed briefing schedules—the deadlines for Plaintiff's opposition papers and for Defendants' reply papers—is consistent with the Court's May 30, 2023 briefing schedule. *See* (Dkt. 21).

This is the first joint request by the Parties for an extension and modification of the briefing schedule and the second request for an extension in the case. On March 6, 2023, Defendants submitted a letter motion requesting a 60-day extension to the deadline for Defendants to respond to Plaintiff's Complaint. (Dkt. 10). The Court granted Defendants' letter motion on March 7, 2023. (Dkt. 11).

Counsel for the Parties have conferred, and the jointly submit this request for the Court's consideration. There are presently no scheduled conferences, and (apart from the briefing schedule at issue in this request) there presently are no other pending deadlines in this action.

We thank the Court for its consideration.

Respectfully Submitted,

/s/ Angela M. Spivey

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cc: Counsel of Record (via email)